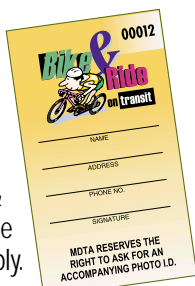


Extend Your Bike Ride on Transit

Bicycling, a popular South Florida pastime, is a fun way to exercise. And it's a clean-air commute, too. Now, in a trial program operating through August 2004, cyclists can take a single-seat two-wheeler on extended trips anytime and just about anywhere in Miami-Dade County on many Metrobus routes, Metrorail, and Metromover.

Bike & Ride Permit

Cyclists do not need a permit to ride Metrobus and Metromover with a bicycle. However, cyclists riding Metrorail do need the free Bike & Ride permit and must be 12 years or older to apply.



Security personnel at all Metrorail stations can issue Bike & Ride permits anytime. Anyone 18 years or older can stop at the security officer's booth and show a valid photo ID. Complete and sign an application, and give it to the officer. The bike permit is issued immediately. However, a parent or guardian must accompany cyclists under 18 years of age who apply for a Bike & Ride permit.

Also request a Bike & Ride permit:

- **At the Transit Service Center, Government Center Metrorail station,** second level, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **At any Team Metro office,** Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 305-468-5900 for the nearest location.
- **By mail,** weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 305-884-7567. Sign and return the application to the address indicated on the form. Attach a copy of your valid driver's license or state photo ID. The bike permit will be mailed within 10 working days.

To ride Tri-Rail with your bike, a Tri-Rail bike permit is also required. For details, call 1-800-TRI-RAIL.

Complete details on the Bike & Ride program, including the Bike & Ride permit application, are on the Internet at www.miamidade.gov/transit.

Metrorail Bicycle Lockers

Lockers are a convenient, strong, weather-safe storage for any regular-size bicycle. Bicycle lockers are only available at Okeechobee, Hialeah, Northside, Brownsville, Earlington Heights, Allapattah, Vizcaya, Coconut Grove, Douglas Road, University, South Miami, Dadeland North, and Dadeland South Metrorail stations. Locker rentals: 3 months, \$25; 6 months, \$45; 12 months, \$70. A \$10 key



deposit is refunded when the key is returned. Contact the Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator, 305-375-1647, for more information.

Safety Tips

- Use caution when stepping off the curb to load or unload your bike.
- Be patient while others load or remove bikes on the rack. Load and unload your bike quickly.
- Wait for the bus to leave before you cross the street.
- For your safety, bikes are not allowed on station escalators.

Note: All motorized scooters are allowed on transit vehicles but must be folded and held or placed under the seat out of the way of other passengers.

Rules & Regulations

1. Bike & Ride permits are not transferable.
2. Bicycles must be clean and free of excess grease, dirt, and sharp objects.
3. Bicycles can be no longer than 80 inches, no higher than 48 inches, and no wider than 22 inches.
Children's bicycles with a wheel size less than 16 inches and bicycles with high-back child seats are not allowed on bus racks.
4. Metrobus operators are not responsible for mounting or removing bicycles on the rack.
5. Board Metrorail and Metromover cars with your bicycle through any door.
6. Only four bicycles are allowed inside a car at a time.
7. While aboard Metrorail and Metromover, cyclists must be in full control of the bicycle, and must never leave it unattended.
8. Since Metrorail and Metromover Bike &

Ride passengers use facilities designated for the disabled, it is mandatory that people with disabilities have priority over cyclists, including entering and exiting stations, using elevators, and inside trains.

9. Riding your bicycle inside Metrorail and Metromover stations, including adjacent bus facilities, is strictly prohibited. Bicycle riding is allowed only in areas intended for vehicle traffic, such as parking lots and access roads.
10. In an emergency evacuation of a Metrorail train, bicycles must be placed on the seats and abandoned.
11. In case of a Metrobus accident, cyclists cannot remove their bicycles from the rack until permitted by the bus operator.
12. Any authorized Miami-Dade Transit personnel or security officer may temporarily deny cyclists access to train stations, platforms, train cars, or buses until overcrowded conditions clear.
13. In addition to these rules and regulations, cyclists must always obey verbal instructions or directives of transit personnel, Metrorail and Metrobus operators, and security officers, police, and fire rescue officials, as well.

Florida State Bicycle Laws

1. Bicycle riders and passengers under 16 years of age must wear a properly fitted and secured bicycle helmet that meets national standards. This includes a child riding in a trailer attached to a bicycle.
2. A bicycle may not be used to carry more people than it is designed or equipped to carry.
3. Cyclists carrying a passenger under 4 years of age, who weighs 40 pounds or less, must secure the child in a seat or carrier designed for a child that age and size and protect him or her from bicycle moving parts. An adult rider may carry a child secured in a backpack or sling.
4. Bicycle riders may not leave a passenger in a child seat or carrier on the bicycle when the bicycle is unattended.
5. A person may not rent or lease any bicycle that will be ridden by a child under 16 years of age, unless the child is wearing a bicycle helmet or is provided a helmet by the person renting or leasing the bicycle.

Bike and Ride on Metrobus

You do not need a permit to Bike & Ride on Metrobus. Cyclists may ride any rack-equipped bus on any route, as nearly 90% of the Metrobus fleet is bike-accessible. On occasion, however, a bus may arrive without a bicycle rack. Please wait for the next bus.

For a safe Bike & Ride bus trip:

1. Prepare your bike for loading by removing loose items.
2. After flagging down a rack-equipped bus, wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to mount your bicycle on the rack.
3. To open the bike rack, squeeze the silver rack handle up to release the latch. Carefully lower the rack.
4. Place your bike wheels into the slots labeled "front" and "rear." Load your bike in the space nearest the bus.
5. To secure the bike in place, raise the support arm over the front wheel as far as possible. Be sure the arm rests on the tire, not the fender.
6. To unload, release the support arm and lift the bike from the rack. If the rack is empty, squeeze the silver handle to return it to the upright position.



Always be prepared to show your bike permit at the request of transit officials.

1. If you need a Bike & Ride permit, stop at the security officer's booth, show your valid photo ID, and complete an application.
2. Pay your trip fare at the fare gate next to the emergency gate. After going through the fare gate, retrieve your bike through the emergency gate.
3. Wait for the train away from the platform's yellow-tiled edge. Bicycles are allowed anytime in any train car. Up to four cyclists with bikes may ride in a car, entering any door after all other boarding or exiting passengers.
4. Use the wheelchair space in each car, but always yield the space to a passenger in a wheelchair. If the wheelchair space is occupied, stand in one of the door spaces or sit in the seat opposite a wheelchair space. Whether standing or sitting, hold your bike firmly. Blocking the aisle or exits with your bike is prohibited. Avoid leaning your bike against other passengers.
5. Allow other passengers to exit the train first. Use the elevator to reach the ground floor, and exit the station through the emergency gate.



Bike and Ride on Metrorail

Catch Metrorail with your bike anytime. Just pay your Metrorail fare, roll your bike through the emergency gate, and take the elevator to the platform. You need a permit to board Metrorail with your bike.

Liability and Indemnification Release

Release

Recognizing that a bicycle in Miami-Dade Transit station areas and aboard trains and buses poses a potential hazard to others and to me in the event of a sudden stop, acceleration, collision, fire, or other emergency, as well as to passengers who may stumble, fall, or bump into my bicycle, I freely and willingly waive all claims for injury to myself or damage to my bicycle arising out of the Bike & Ride program. Further, in consideration of the permission granted, I hereby release Miami-Dade County, its directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees, and security, maintenance, and/or janitorial contractors from any and all liability for injury of any kind to me or to my bicycle or other property I may have with me, incurred by reason of any act, or failure to act, on my part, or Miami-Dade County, its directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees, and security, maintenance, and/or janitorial contractors, arising because of the presence of my bicycle on MDT property.

Indemnification

I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless Miami-Dade County, its directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees, and security, maintenance, and/or janitorial contractors from all costs, suits, judgments, damages, or expenses, direct or indirect, for injury to other persons and/or their property and/or damages to Miami-Dade Transit property, including, but not limited to, loss of use incurred by reason of act or failure to act on my part or by reason of any act, including negligence, of Miami-Dade County directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees, and security, maintenance, and/or janitorial contractors, arising because of my bringing a bicycle on MDT property. I recognize that these provisions cause me to be personally liable for injuries to passengers, employees, and property, arising by reason of my bicycle's presence in MDT stations or on MDT trains, buses, or Metromover cars.

Bike & Ride Permit Application

First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Street

City State Zip Code

Phone Number

I have read and understand the rules and regulations of the Miami-Dade Transit Bike & Ride program and promise to abide by these rules and regulations.
If I violate any Bike & Ride rules and regulations,
I understand that my permit may be revoked.

Verify applicant is 12 years or older.

Applicant's Signature Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN FOR APPLICANTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

First Name Last Name

Daytime Phone Number

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

If applying by mail, send the completed application with a copy of your driver's license or state ID to: **Miami-Dade Transit Bike & Ride Program, Marketing & Communications Division, 6601 NW 72 Avenue, Miami, FL 33166**